on. the condition that the programmes received are not re-distributed through cable or otherwise;

(iii) It is necessary to enact a separate legislation which specifically addresses itself to regulating cable TV network operations in the country;

(iv) Such an enactment and the Rules and Orders issued thereunder could also clearly bring out the licensing procedures to be observed in the matter of establishment of Cable TV Networks as also technical and other parameters within which these networks are to function;

(v) The Committee felt that it will be appropriate that the functions of licensing are delegated to
the State Governments;

(vi) The Committee recommended establishment of a National Cable Authority to coordinate all matters regarding regulation of Cable TV;

(vii) It will be compulsory for cable TV network to carry all Doordarshan signals which are available in the area through terrestrial transmitters;

(viii) The distribution of programmes through Cable TV Net-, works should be brought with in the definition of "public exhibi-toon". This may call for making suitable amendments in related enactments;

(ix) The copyright Act may be suitably amended for providing distribution of of programmes through Cable TV Networks as a distinct category of copyright; and

(x) The requests received from Government/ Semi - Government/ Autonomous Bodies for establsh-ment of Dish Antennae Systems to receive TV signals from foreign Satellites for the benefit of foreign experts employed in these organizations may continue to be considered on case to case basis in consultation with the Ministries of External Affairs, Home Affairs, and Information and Broadcasting.

Violation of DAVP clause by news-papers

1682. SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that when publications (er Newspapers) accept the rate contract awarded by the Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity, they also accept in writ-ting the clause which says; That should a lower rate be allowed to any Other advertisement either for display or classified advertisements during the period, such a lower rate shall apply to all Government of India's advertisements;

(b) if so, what action would be initiated to enforce the penalty clause in case such default is committed by any newspaper on the panel of the DAVP and brought to the Directorate's notice;

(c) whether it is also a fact that one particular case of violation by a newspaper from Gujarat , has been brought to the Directorate's notice and no action had been taken to implement the Penalty Clause of Viola-lion of the DAVP rules; and

(d) what would the Information and Broadcasting Ministry propose to implement the Penalty clause in the interest of the Government of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DSO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In such an event, DAVP would seek refund/take appropriate action to effect recovery of the amount

worked out as difference between the rates on which the publisher published DAVP advertisemenss as per contractual rates between DAVP and the newspaper and the lower rate on which the publisher published advertisements of other advertisers.

(c) One particular case of violation by a newspaper from Gujarat has been brought ot the notice of DAVP on which action has been initiated by DAVP to ascertain the facts.

(d) In view of the reply to part (c) above the question* does not arise.

Commissioning: of low power TV Transmitter at Nagapattanam

1683. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state.-

(a) whether it is a fact that a Low Power TV Transmitter at Nagapatti-nam in Thanjavur District of Tamil Nadu was expected to be commissioned into service by the end of year 1992;

(c) if so, whether it has since been commissioned;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when it is likely to be com-misioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SING DEO): (a) and (b) The Low Power TV Transmitter at Nagapatti-nam in Thanjavur district of Tamil Nadu, targetted for commissioning during 1992-93, has already been .commissioned w.e.f. 20.2.1993.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

TV Documentary film "Democracy & Money Power" produced by M/s Manjira Datta

1684. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the noted Film Maker M/s Manjira Datta had produced a TV documentary Film entitled 'Democracy & Money Power" as early as in 1990 funded by Door darshan;

(to) whether it is also a fact that necessary editing, changes etc. were made as suggested by the DD in the Film;

(c) whether Doordarshan delayed the screening of the Film over DD; and finally the I&B Ministry came out with an explanation that as the film was outdated it could, no be screened;

(d) what are the reasons for delay in screening the film after it was passed for final screening; and

(e) whether Government are recon-sidering screening of the said film in view of the relevance of the subject matter it deals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P SINGH DEO): (a) to (d) The TV documentary film 'Democracy & Money Power', commissioned by Doordarshan could not be telecast during 1989 pre-elections days as its telecast at that time would have infringed the guidelines issued by the Election Commission.

(e) Taking into account the partici pants in the programme and the specific events which it deals with, the fun-appears out-dated and hence Doordarshan does not propose to telecas it at this stage.